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In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the U.S. Patent Office the following references, which were found during the prosecution of a co-pending Japanese Patent Application:

Japanese Utility Mode Application Laid-open Patent Publication No. 2-124268
Japanese Utility Model Publication No. 55-48778

U.S. Patent No. 5,715,783
U.S. Patent No. 5,676,103
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U.S. Patent No. 4,492,190

Copies of the non-U.S. patent references and a form PTO-A820 are attached.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		4,492,190	01/08/1985	Greenwood et al.			
		5,014,657	05/14/1991	Tsunakawa et al.			
		5,676,103	10/14/1997	Tsunoda et al.			
		5,715,783	02/10/1998	Osakabe et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		55-48778	11/14/1980	Japan				✓
		2-124268	10/12/1990	Japan				✓

OTHER DOCUMENTS *(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)*

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